

| <b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>   |   |   |                                   | Docket No.<br>1254-0321PUS1 |      |
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| Application No.<br>10/589,902-Conf. #2324   | Filing Date<br>August 17, 2006            | Examiner<br>Z. Lucas                    | Art Unit<br>1648                  |                             |      |
| Applicant(s): Takaji WAKITA et al.  |   |   |                                   |                             |      |
| Invention: NUCLEIC ACID CONSTRUCT CONTAINING FULLLENGTH GENOME OF HUMAN HEPATITIS C VIRUS, RECOMBINANT FULLLENGTH VIRUS GENOME-REPLICATING CELLS HAVING THE NUCLEIC ACID CONSTRUCT TRANSFERRED THEREINTO AND METHOD OF PRODUCING HEPATITIS C VIRUS PARTICLE |   |   |                                   |                             |      |
| <b>MS Amendment</b><br><b>Commissioner for Patents</b><br><b>P.O. Box 1450</b><br><b>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</b>  |   |   |                                   |                             |      |
| Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.   |   |   |                                   |                             |      |
| The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.  |   |   |                                   |                             |      |
| <b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>  |   |   |                                   |                             |      |
|   | Claims<br>Remaining<br>After<br>Amendment | Highest<br>Number<br>Previously<br>Paid | Number<br>Extra Claims<br>Present | Rate                        |      |
| <b>Total Claims</b>   | 25  | - 26 =                                  | 0                                 | x 52.00                     | 0.00 |
| <b>Independent Claims</b>   | 5   | - 5 =                                   | 0                                 | x 220.00                    | 0.00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>  |   |   |                                   |                             |      |
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| <b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</b>   |   |   |                                   |                             | 0.00 |
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